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COMPLAINS ABOUT LACK OF NEEDLES  
FOR INJECTING GORDEYEV'S LIQUID

The following letter to the editor was sent by M. Kardashev of Nukus.

Gordeyev's liquid is a good remedy for treating many skin diseases and is readily and willingly used by physicians. This remedy is available at all pharmacies of Kara-Kalpak ASSR. However, special needles and drop formers are required for applying Gordeyev's liquid, and these are lacking.

The Main Pharmacy Administration of Uzbekistan has supplied Gordeyev's liquid but has neglected to send needles and drop formers.

Attempts by physicians to sue ordinary needles and syringes were unsuccessful. The following state of affairs then exists: a good remedy is available but it cannot be used.

V. G. Gordeyev's liquid has received considerable publicity in the USSR as a remedy for skin cancer. It is also reported to be effective when applied for the treatment of dermal leishmaniasis. Leishmaniasis (L. donovani and L. tropica) occurs extensively in Central Asia where it is spread by Phlebotomus sandflies. Gordeyev's liquid may possibly be used there to treat dermal or cutaneous forms of this infection.

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